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HOW THE LEADERS IN THE GREAT SIX-DAY BICYCLE RACE LOOK IN THE CLOSING HOURS OF THE STRUGGLE



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F. KREBS.

BUTLER.

LEANDER.

WILD PANICS IN TWO BROOKLYN THEATRES.

Crowds at the Park and Hyde & Behman's Excited by the Breaking of a Fifty-Foot Boom—Fire, Too, and Danger from Electric Sparks.

Trolley Lines Were Tied Up, and Enormous Crowd Gathered in the Street Watching the Sputtering Flames from the Dangling Electric Wires.

The breaking of a fifty-foot boom on a derrick hoisting steel girders for the new building of the Williamsburg Trust Company at the junction of Willoughby, Adams and Fulton streets, this afternoon, was followed by a chain of remarkable circumstances that involved a panic in a theatre, the collecting of an enormous crowd, the setting fire to the Brooklyn Citizen Building and the tying up of all the trolley roads leading from Brooklyn to New York.

The steel skeleton of the Williamsburg Trust Company Building is up level with the roof of the adjoining Brooklyn Citizen's Building. Two iron girders were being hoisted to the upper framework when the big boom of the derrick snapped with a loud report, crashing with its heavy load to the street, on which luckily there were no pedestrians.

When the beam burst the two steel guide wires of the derrick, a hundred feet in length, were thrown out in opposite directions, one falling across the trolley wires on Adams street, and the other, with a big steel hook on the end, striking and catching in the eaves of the Brooklyn Citizen Building.

BUILDING SET ON FIRE.

Immediately one end of the long steel cable fell upon the trolley wire a circuit was created and with a crackling and sputtering that

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COUNTESS DRESSED AS MAN MET DEATH

Beautiful Daughter of French Nobleman, Fatally Hurt in Paris Street Crash, Died in a Hospital.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—The Countess Diane Ogier d'Ivry, the beautiful young daughter of Count Ogier d'Ivry, died in a hospital here yesterday under remarkable circumstances. A pony cart driven by a handsomely dressed person, presumably a young man, accompanied by a groom, collided with a heavy vehicle near the Avenue du Bois de Boulogne. The occupants of the pony cart were thrown out and the person was slightly and the person who held the reins dangerously injured. The latter was removed to a hospital. There the patient was placed in the male ward and the doctors were preparing for an operation when they found the injured person to be a woman. She was removed to the female ward and was identified as the daughter of Count Ogier d'Ivry.

A medical examination disclosed that her skull was fractured in three places and she died soon after. The Countess was twenty years of age, and her blonde hair was cut short. It is explained that she was in the habit of assuming male attire in the streets to avoid attracting the attention of men. The d'Ivry family is highly connected. The Count is a retired army officer and the author of a number of poetical works, including "Rhymes of Cape and Sword." A member of the family's entourage says the Countess was fond of daring feats of horsemanship, and liked to drive fully-dressed and four-in-hand. She found that male attire attracted less attention while driving, and when thus attired was the most daring driver on the avenues.

The family has a chateau at Nerac, in the Department of Lot, in France, where the peasants were familiar with the Countess's strange costume and daring.

CHICAGO "L" TRAINS CRASH IN STORM

One Man Reported Killed and Several Injured when Cars Meet in Collision in Blinding Snow Fall.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—In a blinding snowstorm this afternoon two trains met in collision on the South Side Elevated Railroad.

One man is reported killed and several injured.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Sunday for New York City and vicinity: Cloudy and warmer to-night, followed by rain or snow in the early morning; Sunday rain; Monday colder; winds shifting to southeast and increasing; they will shift to westerly Sunday afternoon or night.

Florida and the South. Southern Railway Fast Express leaves New York daily at 3 P. M. Connecting Dec. 14 immediate connection at Jacksonville for Florida East Coast points. Dining and sleeping cars. New York Offices, 271 and 1285 Broadway.

SPECIAL EXTRA. LATE SCORES IN GREAT RACE

Scores in the six-day cycle race in Madison Square Garden at 6 o'clock were as follows:

	M.	L.
LEANDER AND BUTLER.....	2,253	0
WALTHOUR AND MUNROE.....	2,253	0
NEWKIRK AND JACOBSON.....	2,253	0
JOHN BEDELL AND MENUS BEDELL.....	2,253	0
FLOYD KREBS AND PETERSON.....	2,253	0
BOWLER AND FISHER.....	2,253	0
CONTENET AND BRETON.....	2,253	0
KEEGAN AND MORAN.....	2,252	9
SAMSON AND VANDERSTUYFT.....	2,237	6
GOUGOLT AND KREBS.....	2,200	6

Best record in 1899 by Miller and Waller is 2,477 miles and laps.

RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fourth Race—Dutiful 1, Conkling 2, J. P. Mayberry 3.
Fifth Race—Sarah Maxim 1, Bard of Avon 2, Past 3.

PROCTOR, STRICKEN, DIES AT HIS CLUB

Civil-Service Commissioner, Attacked with Rheumatism of the Heart, Rallied, but Later Succumbed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Civil-service Commissioner John R. Proctor died today from a attack of rheumatism of the heart.

The Commissioner was stricken while at the Cosmos Club, but rallied and for a time it was thought he would recover. He took another walk, however, and died in a few hours. Mr. Proctor was fifty-nine years old. He was born and brought up on a farm in Kentucky. He left the University of Pennsylvania, a cadet in the Confederate Army in 1864, remaining in the service until the close of the year. He returned to Kentucky and pursued scientific studies, becoming State Geologist. He was a member of the jury of the Awards at the World's Fair in Chicago, and was appointed by President Cleveland a member of the Civil Service Commission ten years ago, at the suggestion of Mr. Roosevelt, then a member of the commission, who had met Mr. Proctor during a trip to Kentucky.

JAPAN GETS RUSSIA'S REPLY.

Mikado's Proposals Entertained, but May Be Modified.

TOKIO, Dec. 12.—Russia's reply has been received. The Russian Minister has informed Premier Katsura that Russia entertains Japan's proposals, probably with modifications. The general election has been fixed for March 1.

Prevents Pneumonia. Father John's Medicine cures colds.

ODELL GETS DOWN TO WORK AS BOSS

The Governor Is the Dominating Figure in the Republican Conferences To-Day at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

There was an atmosphere of expectancy about the Fifth Avenue Hotel all day, but out of it there came little to satisfy the curiosity of the Republican politicians who were hanging around waiting for final developments in the local complication. A big conference was called at five o'clock, and it is probable that the man selected for the chairmanship of the County Committee will be named to the public to-night.

Gov. Odell was the dominating figure in all the backing and filling that went on during the day. He consulted with many local leaders, turned down Timothy Woodruff, of Brooklyn, when the former Lieutenant-Governor of the State got up his card, and five minutes after this occurrence saw Jacob Worth, the veteran Republican boss of Brooklyn, and was closeted with him for a long time. From this it is inferred that an Odell-Worth combination in Brooklyn will be formed.

A conspicuous figure in the hotel was Senator Timothy E. Dwyer, who had a long private talk with the Governor. Mr. Elyworth has been one of the staunchest friends of Senator Platt, even going so far in his friendship as to stand for the famous anti-cartoon bill. That he should be so close to the Governor at this time indicates in the minds of those who keep their finger on the pulse of events that Mr. Odell is wheeling the old Platt war horses into line.

Christmas Number of the New York Herald. Three splendid art sections. A "Four Seas" picture. Stories and articles for young and old. Order from newsdealers now.

SCORPIO, 6 TO 1 SHOT, WINS

Outsiders Continue to Upset Judgment of the Regulars at the Crescent City Jockey Club Course.

THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Scorpio (13 to 1), Van Ness (4 to 1), 2, Elsie L. 3.

SECOND RACE—Parisienne (4 to 5), 1; Belle Mabone (4 to 1), 2; Tioga, 3.

THIRD RACE—Montebank (2 to 1), 1; Sea Shark (3 to 1), 2; Wreath of Ivy, 3.

RACE TRACK, NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 12.—The Preliminary Derby, in which the best two-year-olds at the track came together at six furlongs, was the feature of the best day's racing of the meeting. The Preliminary Derby was really a handicap, with the weights assigned by Sheridan Clark.

Threatening weather kept the attendance down. FIRST RACE. Six furlongs; purse \$400, entrance \$40, for three-year-olds and upward. Betting. Scorpio, 13 to 1; Van Ness, 4 to 1; Elsie L., 1 to 2. Van Ness, 112; Gannon, 4; 41454. Elsie L., 112; H. Michaels, 3; 28 30. New York, 115; Callahan, 5; 37 48. 7-10 1-3. Autumn, 105; 12-11 1/2. 2 28 2 15. Monograph, 115; Pierotti, 6 6 6 30 8. Start and: Won easily. Place same. Time 1:14 5-5.

When the start came it found the fields all sitting out. Scorpio got off running and opened up a winning lead before the balance got in their stride. He led all the way and won as he pleased. Van Ness finished strong. Monograph was left standing at the post. New York, the odds-on favorite for the race, fired after going three-eighths of a mile and Elsie L. got up in the last stride and beat him out for third place.

CHICAGO GETS CONVENTION.

Republican National Committee Decides to Hold 1904 Gathering There.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The Republican National Committee decided today to hold in Chicago the National Convention for the nomination of a Presidential candidate for the coming term.

The vote was as follows: Chicago, 42; Pittsburg, 7; St. Louis, 1. The committee fixed June 21 at 10 o'clock as the time for the meeting of the convention.

LABOR UNION FINED IN COURT

Precedent Established by Chicago Judge in Strike Trouble.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—One thousand dollars fine for illegal acts as a corporation was imposed upon Fracklin Union No. 4, Press Feeders, by Judge Holdom today. The court found the union as a corporation guilty of contempt of court for violating an injunction restraining it as an organization from interfering with the business of employees of the printing press, members of the Chicago Typographical Union.

Judge Holdom's action creates a precedent, being the first time in the history of trades unions in this country that a court has fined a union as a corporation. An immediate appeal was taken from the action of Judge Holdom.

SECRETARY MAY IMPROVE. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Secretary Hay continues to improve satisfactorily. He is resting comfortably and transacting necessary business at his home.

CYCLE RACERS READY FOR THE FINAL SPURT.

Sprinters of Each Team Selected for Crucial Moment of the Greatest Six-Day Grind in Cycle History—Representatives of Each Team Resting for Trial.

POLICE TAKE A HAND IN THE GAME TO-DAY.

Officials Claimed Some of the Men Had Been Riding More Than Twelve Hours Out of the Twenty-Four—Society Will Be Well Represented at the Finish.

5 O'CLOCK SCORE.

15TH HOUR.			
Walthour and Munroe.....	2246 0	Contenet and Breton.....	2246 0
Leander and Butler.....	2246 0	Bowler and Fisher.....	2246 0
Newkirk and Jacobson.....	2246 0	Keegan and Moran.....	2246 0
J. and M. Bedell.....	2246 0	Samson and Vanderstuyft.....	2232 9
Floyd Krebs and Peterson.....	2246 0	Gougolt and Franks Krebs.....	2197 1
		Record for 137th hour 2,526 miles and 8 laps, made by Miller and Waller in 1899.	

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, Dec. 12.—The finish of the big six-day bicycle race is here.

Everything is in readiness for the final spurt that will decide the winner of the greatest struggle for glory and gold that the world ever saw.

The riders who have been selected to represent the various teams are resting until the time comes for that awful mile spurt.

The sprinters who will meet in that last mad whirl around the steep banked track are:

GOUGOLTZ.	JACOBSON.
BRETON.	J. BEDELL.
VANDERSTUYFT.	MORAN.
LEANDER.	FISHER.
F. KREBS.	WALTHOUR.

POLICE ORDER TWO RIDERS FROM TRACK.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, Dec. 12.—The police got into the game at the six-day bicycle race this afternoon and ordered Nat Butler off the track.

Watchers assigned by Deputy Commissioner Ebstein started to keep time at 4.30 o'clock yesterday, and at 1.55 this afternoon the watchers counted that Nat Butler had been on the track twelve out of the twenty-four hours. Leander had been off the track only ten minutes when he was routed out to take Butler's place.

Butler was instructed by the police that he could not go on again until 4.30 P. M., when his twenty-four-hour count would be up.

Leander was tired, and it is now believed that this vigilance and activity of the police will interfere with Leander's chance of winning.

Butler will go on at 4.30 P. M. and ride until 9 o'clock to-night, and Leander will come on for the final spurt.

RIDERS IN RAGE.

Butler and Leander both flew into a rage when Butler was ordered off the track. They denied that Butler had been on twelve hours in the last twenty-four, but the police would listen to no argument.

Benny Munroe, Walthour's partner, was also ordered from the track.

SOCIETY WILL TURN OUT.

Society will be represented in the boxes. Alfred G. Vanderbilt, A. C. Batwick, August Belmont, Harry Payne Whitney and a number of other members of that social coterie have secured boxes for to-night.

Nearly every seat in the house has been sold. Preparations are being made for possibly the largest crowd the Garden ever held.

In the meantime the riders are saving themselves for the strain of to-night. There are few sprints and they are not exciting.

BAD SPILL TO-DAY.

A spill for the Belgium rider Samson came very close to causing one of the leaders to quit the grind this morning. The spill occurred directly in front of the cot where Walthour was sleeping. The crowd, hearing the crash, rushed to the spot where he lay stunned. As each person pressed forward to get a better view the rail broke, precipitating the struggling crowd on top of Walthour.

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Grover Cleveland,

former President of the United States, writes the story of his recent duck-hunting trip in Virginia for to-morrow's Sunday World. The philosophy and pleasures of duck-hunting are agreeably and interestingly set forth. Mr. Cleveland is the most eminent duck-hunter of his time, and speaks for the true sportsman. An article to read and remember.